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SUPPORTS THE TURKS

England's Policy Regarding Crete Meets with Disfavor.

UPHELD BY CONSERVATIVES ALONE

The King of Greece Astonished and Grieved at the Action of the Christian Powers in Upholding the Ottoman Empire's Outrages.

London, Feb. 26.—The British government's policy regarding the Cretan trouble, as made public by Premier Salisbury in parliament last evening, meets with general disapproval among the people of England. The conservative members of parliament, however, side with the government. During his speech in the house Lord Salisbury said it did not follow that the Turkish troops would be withdrawn from Crete immediately; nevertheless the practical withdrawal of her troops from the island was a necessary condition to the establishment of autonomy and they would therefore be withdrawn. The premier then gave as instances of autonomous administrations the form of government which now obtains in the island of Samos, a Turkish possession, and which formerly prevailed in Servia, and proceeded to say he imagined that the powers would require the Greek troops in Crete to be withdrawn at an earlier date than the Turkish troops, but he was unable to give any further details until he knew what decision had been reached by the powers. Still, it was his belief that the powers recognized the principles he announced as animating their policy. Lord Kimberley, who was minister of foreign affairs in the cabinet of Lord Rosebery, said that the statement just made by Lord Salisbury was one of great gravity, and would require careful consideration on his part before he felt prepared to make any observations thereon.

Text of the Telegram.

The following is the phraseology of the telegram sent to the British representative at the capitol of each of the combined European powers: "Inform the government to which you are accredited that her majesty's government propose to make the following declaration of the policy they intend to pursue, which they believe to be in accordance with that of their allies: First, that the establishment of administrative autonomy in Crete is necessary to the termination of international occupation of that island. Second, that, subject to such system of administrative autonomy, Crete ought to remain a portion of the Turkish empire. Third, that the governments of Turkey and Greece ought to be informed of this resolution. Fourth, that if either Turkey or Greece should persist in a refusal when required to withdraw her naval and military forces from the island the powers should impose their decision by force."

King George Grieved.

London, Feb. 26.—The Chronicle today publishes an interview with King George of Greece. His majesty declared that he was unable to express his profound astonishment and grief that the representatives of the Christian powers had permitted the Turks to employ as a military base a place in which they had taken protection, and that for the purpose of imposing neutrality and peace, also they had caused cannons to be fired on a Christian people who had been driven by outrage and massacre into a struggle for life and liberty.

"Filling the Measure of Their Dishonor."

Paris, Feb. 26.—Mr. Gladstone has written a letter to the Temps anent the Cretan situation, in which he says: "The ideas which guided me at the time of the Bulgarian atrocities still dominate my mind, but Russia appears to have made a complete volteface. I wonder what Alexander II. would have thought of Russia's conduct during the past two years and now. My feelings over the entire conduct of the powers during the past two years are sorrow and indignation. The powers are now applying themselves to filling the measure of their dishonor."

Cretan Demonstration in Vienna.

Vienna, Feb. 26.—A hundred Greek, Italian and Slav students attempted to hold a meeting yesterday to express their approval of the action of Greece and to denounce the interference of the powers in the Cretan dispute. The police, however, refused to allow it to be held owing to its not having been legally announced. The students then acted in riotous manner, with the result that three of them were arrested. Later they proceeded to the university, where they swarmed upon the staircase, hooting and yelling until they became tired of that form of amusement.

Moslems Go Aboard Warships.

Athens, Feb. 26.—It is announced here that the foreign consuls in the island of Crete have placed the plain and the Suda valley, between Alsrotiri and Canea, under the protection of the united fleets. The Christians at Selino are permitting the departure of Moslems and their families and the foreign warships are taking the fugitives on board. Three foreign warships have taken positions off Platania and are watching the movements of the Greek troops under Col. Vassos.

SANGUILLY IS FREE.

Queen Regent of Spain Signs His Pardon---Message Official.

Washington, Feb, 26.—Senor De Lome, the Spanish minister, has just received a telegram from the Duke of Tetuan that the queen has signed the pardon of Julio Sanguilly. It is said at the legation that this action was agreed upon several days ago at a cabinet meeting, but the announcement was, according to diplomatic usage, withheld until the queen had formally signed it.

DECLARATION OF WAR.

Text of the Measure Introduced in Congress by Mr. Sulzer.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Mr. Sulzer, dem., N. Y., offerred in the house yesterday a bill "declaring war between the kingdom of Spain and her colonies and the United States of America and her territories." The measure reads as follows: "That war be declared to exist between the kingdom of Spain and her colonies and the United States of America and her territories; and that the president is authorized to use the whole land and naval force of the United States to carry the same into effect, and to issue to private armed vessels of the United States commissions or letters of mark and general reprisal, in such form as he may think proper, under the seal of the United States, against the vessels goods and effects of the government of the said kingdom of Spain and the subjects thereof." The measure was referred to the committee on foreign affairs.

SUICIDE OF G. A. KRAFT.

A Brooklyn, N. Y., Man Takes Laudanum in Baltimore.

Baltimore, Feb. 26.—George A. Kraft of Brooklyn, N. Y., committed suicide here yesterday. His dead body was found at the corner of Charles and Twenty-sixth streets. In the pockets of his clothing were found a number of books and papers indicating that he was engaged in the insurance business. The following letter was also found: "To whom it may concern—It seems pretty hard to kill me. I took two bottles of laudanum last night, but it only made me sick. If this dose don't do it then I will give it up, and it must be God's will that I shall not die yet. Possibly He has more misery and despair in store for me ere I depart from this earth. May God and everybody forgive me, as I repent of my sins." A pawn ticket showed that Kraft had pawned his overcoat yesterday. No money nor jewelry except sleeve buttons were found on the dead man's person. Coroner Buddenbohn decided that it was a clear case of suicide and no inquest was held. The body was sent to the morgue.

BLOWN TO ATOMS.

Of the Bodies of Two Men, Only a Toe Can Be Found.

Steubenville, O., Feb. 26.—A vast quantity of nitro-glycerine, stored between Gould station and New Alexandria, on the Panhandle railroad, in the Gould field, exploded yesterday afternoon, killing two men and wounding a number of others. The two men were blown to atoms, only a man's toe being found. Houses were knocked down and trees were torn up by the roots. The report of the explosion was heard ten miles away.

The Foul Air Trouble at Albany.

Albany, Feb. 26.—The difficulty from bad air, which closed the excise department last week, has been partially remedied by the use of disinfectants and cutting out and closing up the old registers which brought up the foul air from the cellar. Most of the force are at work again. J. P. Kirby, in charge of special agents, and Henry Gallien, auditor, both of whom were prostrated by the trouble, are yet absent on account of illness.

Farmer McMasters Badly Beaten.

Sharon, Pa., Feb. 26.—Farmer McMasters, who was beaten and robbed by burglars in his home near Kremis, Wednesday night, is in a serious condition from the injuries he received. His assailants beat him into unconsciousness, then bound him and his wife and two children and ransacked the house. They secured several hundred dollars worth of plunder. The robbers left no trace behind them.

1,200 Houses Partially Under Water.

Newport, Ky., Feb. 26.—This morning over 1,200 houses in this city are partially under water. The work of removing goods from the flooded district continues. The police patrol the submerged portion of the city every hour in boats and render assistance to those in need. Many of the families that have been driven ont of their homes are camping on the hills.

Iron and Steel Trade Strengthened.

Pittsburg, Feb. 26.—The American Manufacturer to-day says that while the past week has developed no particularly new feature in the iron and steel trade, it has strengthened the improved feeling. The only change made in prices is toward higher figures. In the Philadelphia market some large sales of skelp were made during the present week.

M'KINLEY WALKS OUT

The President-elect Able To Take a Stroll About the Streets.

WILL SOON BE IN PERFECT HEALTH

Citizens To Escort Him to the Train Monday Night---The Rumor That McCook Is Dissatisfied with His Cabinet Assignment Still Heard.

Canton, O., Feb. 26.—Major McKinley expects to take another walk about the street to-day. His color is returning and the sparkle has come back to his eye. Both Major McKinley and his physician are confident that his health will be fully restored by Thursday next. Mrs. McKinley is also much better and the grippe has practically left her. There seems to be some unnecessary alarm in the east over the physical condition of the president-elect. Telegrams of inquiry addressed to various persons here indicate that a feeling of uneasiness exists, but there need be no apprehension. There were no visitors of consequence yesterday, and no one, with the exception of the family and a few personal friends talked with the president-elect. It is proposed by the people of Canton to form a large procession on Monday night next to escort Major McKinley to the railway station. He was to have been given a public reception on Washington's birthday, but it was abandoned on account of his illness. The proposed escort to the station is to take the place, in a measure, of the reception. The rumor that Col. J. J. McCook prefers some other post than secretary of the interior continues to prevail here.

McKinley Thanks Bushnell.

Columbus, O., Feb. 26.—Gov. Bushnell confirms the report that he has received a letter from President-elect McKinley thanking him for the appointment of Mark Hanna to succeed Mr. Sherman in the senate, which he has promised to make. Major McKinley said in the letter that he regarded the appointment as in part a special favor to him, as he had joined with Senator Sherman in asking that Chairman Hanna be appointed.

EMILE ARTON'S APPEAL.

Promises To Explain the Distribution of 2,000,000 Francs to French Deputies.

Paris, Feb. 26.—At the Seine assizes yesterday afternoon there was heard the appeal of Emile Arton from the sentence of two years' imprisonment imposed on him for bribery in connection with the Panama canal scandal. In the course of the proceedings Arton promised to explain completely the distribution of 2,000,000 francs among members of the French chamber of deputies who were bribed to support the projects of the canal company. There was much excitement in the chamber of deputies when it was learned that Arton proposed to make a full confession of his dealings with certain of the members.

Complications Over Lumber Duties.

Toronto, Feb. 26.—An Ottawa dispatch says that grave complications are expected to arise between Canada and the United States over the proposed lumber duties to be adopted by the American government. John Charlton, M. P., and an extensive lumdealer, states that if the ways and means committee reports in favor of a two-dollar duty, with a retaliatory export duty clause, consequences of the most undesirable character will result.

Lynn Shoe Strike.

Lynn, Mass., Feb. 26.—The big strike at the shoe factory of Harney Bros., on Alley street, is no nearer a settlement to-day than it has been at any time for the past thirty-six hours. There has been no great accession to the ranks of the strikers for the reason, it is said, that the Boot and Shoe Workers' union is content to rest on its oars for the present and give the firm an opportunity of making overtures for a settlement.

Wayne MacVeagh's Plans.

Rome, Feb. 26.—Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, United States ambassador to Italy, and his family have left the palace of Piobino, where they have been residing, and are staying at the Grand hotel. Mr. and Mrs. MacVeagh will dine at the quirinal with King Humbert and Queen Margherita on Saturday and will leave Rome on Monday of next week.

Col. Granger a Suicide.

Winsted, Conn., Feb. 26.—Col. Algernon Granger of this place, who committed suicide by shooting yesterday, was well known in Connecticut. He was a member of the Second Connecticut artillery during the late war. He was a member of ex-Gov. Massis' staff. Ill-health is supposed to have been the cause of his suicide.

Permanent Foreign Office Secretary.

London, Feb. 26.—Edward Wingfield has been appointed permanent secretary of the foreign office in succession to Sir Robert H. Meade, who was compelled to retire through ill health. Mr. Wingfield has been an assistant under secretary of the foreign office for some years.

CUBA DISTURBS IT

Senate Unable To Stick to Work on Appropriation Bills.

NUMEROUS AND HEATED SPEECHES

Spain Severely Scored by Advocates of the Cubans' Cause---War Talk Greeted with Cheers from the Galleries.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The Indian appropriation bill is the unfinished business before the senate to-day, but the friends of the Cuban cause seem again determined to discuss the Sanguilly affair no matter what becomes of the appropriation bills, as was the case yesterday, when by a vote of 40 to 27 the Indian bill was laid aside and the Sanguilly resolution was taken up. It came up in the first instance as part of the regular business, the vice-president deciding that, under the rule, a motion to take up the Indian bill was not in order until after the morning business was disposed of, and when at 1 p. m. the morning hour expired, a motion to proceed with the Sanguily joint resolution was made by Mr. Allen, pop., Neb., and, although it was resisted by the chairman of the committee on appropriations, Mr. Allison, and was voted against by the chairman of the committee on foreign relations, Mr. Sherman, it prevailed, by the vote above mentioned. The debate, from the first, was of a rather exciting character. Mr. Allen spoke of Spain as "a decaying monarch, a blot on the map of the world and a disgrace to civilization." Mr. Daniel, dem., Va., said that Sanguilly had been treated "rigorously, harshly, cruelly and brutally," in a manner that was a disgrace to this century and to civilization. He spoke of an insult having been offered by a Spanish officer high in authority to the American republic and flag, and said that if a fleet had been sent to Havana to demand an apology every American citizen would have rejoiced at it.

Galleries Applaud War Talk.

When Mr. Hale, rep., Me., read a telegram from Havana stating that Sanguilly's appeal to Madrid had been withdrawn so as to facilitate his release, his colleague, Mr. Frye, denounced that withdrawal as a wicked and unjust act on the part of Sanguilly's counsel, and declared (with an accompaniment of applause from the galleries) that if he had his way a ship of war would start forthwith for Havana. Mr. Hale regarded that outburst as telling the whole story. What his colleague and other senators wanted was war. But the country would not be drawn into war during the next seven days if he (Mr. Hale) could prevent it. Mr. Hoar, rep., Mass., showed from the committee's own report that Sanguilly had been only two months, instead of five years, in the United States when he got his naturalization papers; had then left the country and had never returned since, having lived in Cuba for the last eighteen years; that the naturalization papers were fraudulent, and that Sanguilly was no more an American citizen than Mr. Daniel was a subject of Turkey. Senators Daniel and Lodge, rep., Mass., denied the right of the senate to go behind the record of the superior court of New York, from which the papers had been issued.

Sherman Defends His Action.

Mr. Teller, silverite, Col., characterized the conduct of the state department as "pusillanimous," and said that he expected nothing better from the next administration. He declared that he would make every power in the world respect American citizenship if it should take all the money, all the ships and all the men that the country had. Allusions by Senators Hill, dem., N. Y., and White, dem., Cal., to the inconsistency of Mr. Sherman, rep., O., in having the joint resolution reported and expressing the hope that the senate would pass it, and then later voting against taking it up, brought Mr. Sherman to his feet. He defended his vote on the ground of necessity of passing the appropriation bills; but still he expressed the hope that, after the senate had gone on for some time longer, the vote should be taken on the joint resolution. At 6 p. m. a recess was taken until 8 p. m.

Night Session.

The expected continuation of the Cuban storm did not appear when the senate met after the short recess. By common consent bills were passed to allow the bottling of distilled spirits in bond and to prevent the importation of impure and unwholesome tea, and consideration of the Indian appropriation bill was resumed. Senator White of California had the floor on the Cuban question when the senate took its recess and would have continued last night had it not appeared to the friends of the Sanguilly resolution that if the debate on that subject was renewed Mr. White would talk until a quorum disappeared. For this reason the regular business was proceeded with. At 11:30 p. m. the senate adjourned until to-day.

House of Representatives.

By a vote 144 to 46 the house, after two hours' debate, passed the bill authorizing national banks to take out circulation to the par value of the bonds deposited to secure it, an increase of 10 per cent. over the limit now allowed. Conference reports upon the agricultural appropriation bill and upon the bill for the relief of certain settlers upon the Sioux reservation in South Dakota, were presented and agreed to. The resolution agreed upon by the committee on foreign affairs calling upon the president for the correspondence relating to the arrest and punishment of American citizens by the Spanish authorities in Cuba, was presented and agreed to.

FEARED YALE STUDENTS.

Mr. Bryan Escorted from the Meeting Hall at New Haven by Police.

New Haven, Conn., Feb. 26.—W. J. Byran delivered a lecture on bimetallism before an audience of about a thousand persons at the Hyperion theatre here last evening. Later in the evening he spoke briefly before the Retail Merchants' association at their annual banquet. Mr. Bryan feared violence from Yale students and was escorted from the hotel to the threatre by a bodyguard of five policemen.

WITH THE SPORTS.

Movements of the Prizefighting Colony Now Quartered at Carson.

Carson, Nev., Feb. 26.—Fitzsimmons played a comic role yesterday for the edification of some four hundred citizens who followed him to the postoffice where he called for his mail. Cameras were planted at every corner of the building to catch the Australian as he stepped out, but Bob was wary, and tried a flying leap through a rear window, eight feet to the ground. A nimble reporter caught him in the air; another snapped him as he struck the ground, a third bore down on him in the act of sprinting away, and when the lanky pugilist tumbled headforemost into a deep ditch a dozen lenses were trained in his direction. The spectators screamed at the farce, and Bob, shaking the snow from his clothing, fled for Cook's ranch at top speed, followed by a shower of snowballs. From reliable sources it is learned that the Australian's weight is less than 165 pounds, and that he will enter the ring much lighter than most people imagine. Corbett continues his work of training with vigor. Corbett is pleased to have George Green with him again. "That boy can stand more punishment than any man in the business," remarked the champion. "He goes at me full of confidence, and I take more pleasure working with him than anybody else. Whip Billy Smith? Certainly he will whip him in a walk." Sheriff Kinney and Referee Siler met last night. "You look after the people in the ring, and I'll take care of everybody outside," exclaimed the sheriff. "That man knows his business," said Siler as the sheriff walked away. "I predict one of the most orderly gatherings in that arena that ever assembled at a prize fight. See if I aint a prophet."

STEINITZ NOT DEAD.

The Once Famous Chess Player Is a Mental Wreck, However.

London, Feb. 26.—It is now well established that the recent report of the death of Steinitz, the chess master, was erroneous. A dispatch to the Central News from Berlin says that friends of his in that city have received information from Moscow that he is alive, but suffering from an incurable ulceration of the brain. The rumor of his death probably arose from the fact that he recently swooned and was unconscious for a long time. Since then his condition has become worse. He has forgotten all about chess playing, and occupies the intervals between his attacks of delirium in writing what he imagines to be essays on philosophy, and discussing the date of his return to New York.

Venezuelan Arbitration Treaty.

Washington, Feb. 26.—There is a hitch in the ratification of the British-Venezuelan arbitration treaty. By error, due to haste only, the English copies of the treaty were sent to Caracas. These could not be laid before the legislature. Spanish copies have been prepared, and after careful comparison Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British ambassador, and Senor Andrade, the Venezuelan minister, have just been authorized by their respective governments to sign this document and it will go to Caracas by the next steamer sailing.

New Fire Insurance Company.

Albany, Feb. 26.—State Superintendent of Insurance Payne has authorized the Assurance Company of America to commence business in this state as a joint stock fire insurance company. It has a capital stock of $2,000,000 and a subscribed and paid-in surplus of $200,000.

Connecticut Board of Pardons.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 26.—Gov. Cook has sent to the senate the following nominations for the board of pardons, both being renominations: Dr. Francis Bacon of New Haven, ex-Lieut.-Gov. Ernest Cady of Hartford, each for four years from July 1, 1897.

County Officers Not State Officers.

Boston, Feb. 26.—The supreme court has decided that county officers are not state officers and cannot be impeached by the legislature.

GOMEZ HEMMED IN

Cuban Army Said To Be in a Dangerous Predicament.

DEFEATED AND RETREAT CUT OFF

A Report Received by Minister De Lome from Madrid Says the Patriots Suffered the Loss of Several Men Killed and Many Wounded.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Senor Depuy de Lome, the Spanish minister, has received the following cable message from the Duke of Tetuan, Spanish minister of foreign affairs: "The brigades of Generals Gasco, Ruiz and Segura met in succession the forces commanded by Maximo Gomez, defeating them and obliging them to disperse and retreat. Twenty dead were counted, and a great number of the rebels were wounded. Four battalions occupy all the possible passes to Mantanzas and Las Villas, and prevent the retreat of Gomez to the west. The trocha of Jucaro almost completely closed makes it very difficult for him to retreat east. Seven columns are operating between these lines in pursut of Gomez."

FIRED ON AN AMERICAN SHIP.

Schooner Haskell Mistaken for a Filibuster by a Spanish Gunboat.

Delaware Breakwater, Del., Feb. 26.—Presumably taken for a filibuster by what her captain thinks was a Spanish gunboat, the schooner S. G. Haskell, just arrived here from Cienfuegos, was thrice fired upon off the Cuban coast on the night of Feb. 7. The Haskell left Cienfuegos on Feb. 7, and, as she was beating her way out to sea that night off the mouth of the San Juan river, those on board observed two flashes and the reports of guns from somewhere in towards shore. The Haskell's people paid no particular attention to the guns, as they did not suppose that they were directed towards them, but a third report and the whistle of a solid shot passing close by and plumping into the sea beyond the shooner, speedily undeceived them. With his night glass the captain made out a steamer following close after them and showing no lights. He was able to see that the steamer had a low black hull and her upperworks were painted some light color. After the third shot and approaching quite closely, but without hailing, the steamer put about and steamed shorewards again, without further molestation of the Haskell.

DOUBT THE STORY.

Cuban Junta Officials Know Nothing of Cisneros' Alleged Death.

New York, Feb. 26.—Nothing had been heard at the offices of the Cuban junta of the alleged death of president Salvado Cisneros of the Cuban republic. The officers of the junta are inclined to doubt the story. The death of President Cisneros would be a severe blow to the Cuban cause, it was said at the junta, because he is able and patriotic and no man in Cuba possesses a more thorough knowledge of the island's resources. But it would not effect the fight for freedom any more than did the death of vice-president and Gen. Marti nearly two years ago or the more recent death of Gen. Maceo.

THE KILLING OF RUIZ.

Spain Ready To Punish Persons Proved To Be Guilty of the Crime.

Madrid, Feb. 26.—The Epoca in an article discussing the Cuban situation as affecting the relations of Spain with the United States, alludes to the killing of Ricardo Ruiz, an American citizen, in a Spanish prison in Cuba, and adds: "The Ruiz affair cannot assume the proportions of international importance. Spain is ready to punish any persons who shall be proved to have ill-treated Ruiz, and the friendly relations between Spain and the government at Washington preclude any diplomatic strain over the matter."

Barbed Wire for Spain's Trocha in Cuba.

Pittsburg, Feb. 26.—The report is confirmed that Oliver Bros. & Co. of this city have shipped to the Spanish authorities in Cuba 1,000 tons of barbed wire for the trocha. The contract calls for 2,000 tons. The balance of the order will be shipped as soon as possible. The Pittsburg firm made the contract through Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish ambassador at Washington.

$1,200 Worth of Jewelry Stolen.

Boston, Feb. 26.—While Samuel Carro and his assistant were both absent from his jewelry store yesterday afternoon, the safe being left open, thieves entered and stole jewelry valued at the sum of $1 200.

Mills Start Up on Full Time.

Greenwich, Conn., Feb. 26.—The Hawthorne Woolen mills at Glenville have started up on full time and with a full force of hands. These mills employ 300 hands. It is three years since the full number has been employed.

Massachusetts Adopts Scovel's Cause.

Boston, Feb. 26.—The senate has adopted resolutions calling upon the secretary of state at Washington to investigate the imprisonment of Journalist Scovel in Cuba.

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FACTS ABOUT ICELAND.

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[Special Letter.]

During this winter season of snow and ice, when one finds it difficult to determine whether the winter sports and exhilarating drifts recommend the season to his favor, or whether the discomforts the rough Boreas brings outweigh the delights, the people of Iceland are almost in the very midst of their long dreary winter.

Very little is generally known about this island of the northern seas, which, though it is looked upon by most people who condescend to give it a thought as the last corner of existence, has much to recommend it. That little ice-bound spot of the polar regions has a cleaner history than any other country on the globe, and its inhabitants are the purest race of people in the world.

The island lies in the North Atlantic ocean, immediately south of the polar circle. It is 250 miles from Greenland, 500 miles from the north of Scotland, and 600 miles from Norway. At its greatest length it measures 300 miles, and its maximum breadth is 200 miles. Thus, with a modern steam railway train, an excursion could be made over its entire length in 24 hours, and an American business man would not have to take many "days off" to "do" the island complete. However, there are neither railroad trains nor Americans in Iceland.

The area is estimated at 40,300 square miles. The geological formation of the island is volcanic, and from an elevated tableland in the interior the surface slopes to the coast on the north and south. Rugged and desolate lava tracts extend along the southern and eastern coasts. The northwest peninsula is broken by numerous narrow firths, which are divided by high and narrow mountain ridges, seldom less than 2,000 feet above the level of the sea.

As frequent and furious as the eruptions of Hecla and Katla have been, and though Geyser has spit forth from his raging depths volumes of hot water, the Icelanders appear to be listless of the past, and indifferent as to the future. The most recent volcanic outbreak occurred in 1875, when from the outliers of the Vatnajoekull, fine volcanic dust was discharged in great quantities, some of it being carried as far as Norway. The most disastrous eruption on record took place in 1783, near Skaptarjoekull. Two principal lava streams, 40 and 50 miles in length, and from 12 to 15 miles wide, swept over the land like great demons of destruction.

Stock raising, fishing, knitting and the weaving of wool are the principal occupations. Agriculture is confined almost entirely to the home garden. All groceries, spirits, tobacco and building materials are imported.

The climate is not so severe as would be imagined from the latitude. The winter really continues for eight months, but is not generally more severe than the winters in Denmark. It is rather their protractedness and the darkness at midwinter, lasting for six weeks, that makes it most unpleasant. For nearly 24 hours at midwinter the sun never rises above the horizon, and during the whole of the six dark weeks the light is never stronger than a dull twilight. Indoor work, such as knitting, tool making, weaving, embroidering, etc., fills up the long winter, and diversion is found in family gatherings about a reader, who recites some of the masterpieces of Scandinavian literature.

The brief summer is bright and sunny, and like a perpetual springtime, when one can easily go without wraps. Day reigns absolutely for one week, and there is no night for six weeks.

Iceland is subject to the king of Denmark, who shares the legislative power with the al-thing, an assembly of 36 members (30 being elected by household suffrage, and six by the king), which convenes every second year, in two divisions. Reykjavik, the capital and metropolis of the island, has about 4,000 inhabitants. The next towns in size are settlements of from 50 to 600 souls. The women have full suffrage rights, and when they marry their husbands take their names.

The Episcopal Lutheran is the church of the island. The sanctuaries in use are those used centuries ago, when Catholicism was the universal religion. The bishop is appointed by the king, and there are 142 assisting clergymen.

There is not a wealthy man in all Iceland; nor are there the very poor which crowd the slums of American cities. The state in Iceland is more nearly that of socialism than anywhere else on the globe. If a man has not the means to procure necessaries for his family, his neighbors feel in duty bound not merely to ask him to accept a portion of their fuel, food and clothing, but to carry to him what they [illegible]

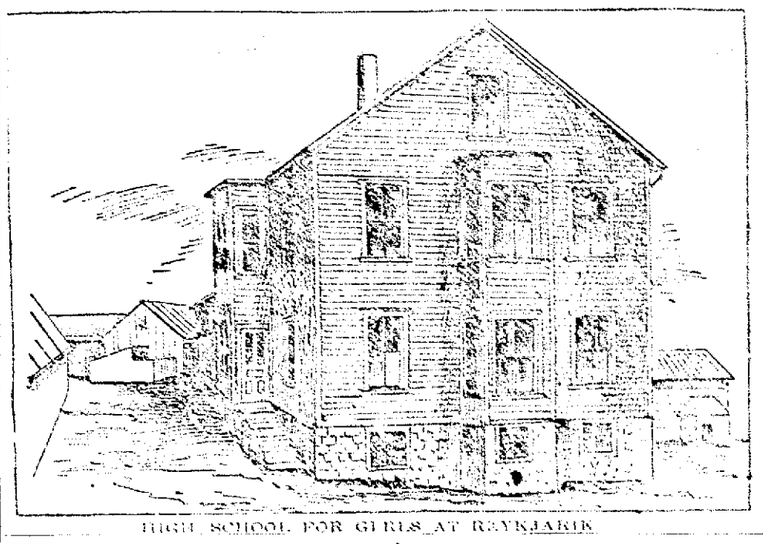
Robberies are unknown, except in cases where the offense has been committed by foreign sailors. One could safely leave undisturbed through the summer, along the sea coast, or in the towns, with a bag of coin on his shoulder. Only one murder has been committed in the past century, and that was—about three years ago—caused a commotion that extended over the whole country. Two men constitute the police force of Iceland. Both are stationed at Reykjavik.

The average Icelandic house has 1½ stories, and is built of a layer of turf and a lining of timber. Churches, schools, dwellings and government buildings are alike plain and modestly furnished. No railroads have yet been built, and there is only one wheeled vehicle in the country. That was brought home from England by one Icelander who went to Britain on some business a few years ago. He and his ordinary little "buggy" are the wonders of the island. All travel is accomplished on pony-back.

A lady's saddle resembles a low-backed arm chair, and is decorated according to the taste and means of the possessor. All wares are dragged across country—a means of transportation so difficult that family moving is seldom attempted. It is impossible for country people to get any building timber or to have heavy articles of furniture.

The power of the press is felt in that primitive land. In Reykjavik there are three newspapers—(two of them issued weekly and one semiweekly)—in Isafiord, one; in Seydisfiord, one, and one in Akreyri. A woman's pen has never yet touched one of them, and a daily issue is considered an impossibility.

The Icelanders have long been famous for their education and learning, and it is no exaggeration to say that nowhere else in the world is there to be found such learning among the poorest. This, however, only applies, generally, to the men. Boys are taught very early to "read, write and cipher," and even among the peasantry there is a knowledge of the sciences and languages. A few elementary schools have recently



HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS AT REYKJAVIK.

been established, and at Reykjavik there is for general and classical education a college with a faculty of seven or more, and over 100 students.

It is very different with the girls! At about three years of age they are taught to knit, weave and sew. To follow this line of work, or tend the sheep day after day in the lonely pastures, is their common lot. The mother's limited knowledge is imparted to her daughter, and at seven her tutelage has ended.

A needed reform in this direction has recently sprung from an odd circumstance. An English missionary, while traveling across the island, observed that the edition of the Holy Bible was about exhausted, and that the country afforded neither the means nor facilities for replenishing. On his return to London he reported the case to the London Tract society. Subsequently a letter was sent to the bishop at Reykjavik, offering to issue, free, a new edition of the Bible if he (the bishop) would arrange for the revision of the work. Accordingly, Erike Magnusson, a member of the clergy, was sent to England to look after the matter. That man is now professor of Icelandic and librarian at the university at Cambridge, and his good little wife, Mme. Sigridre Magnusson, has labored for the elevation of girls in her own country. While in Cambridge with her husband, she thought constantly of her home, and herself drew the plans of a school. "Vina Minni," which was, in 1890, built in Norway, and in sections transported during the summer season, to Reykjavik. Here it was put up on a piece of ground left to the madame by her mother.

The bishop of Iceland opened the high school for girls, "Vina Minni," in Reykjavik, Iceland, in October, 1891. The school was started with 15 girls. The subjects taught are the following: Tailoring, four days a week, from ten till two; Sloid, Icelandic language and literature, English, arithmetic, writing, geography, history, Danish and singing. Besides those ten subjects, cooking is taught from twelve to two, two girls each week leaving class at 12 for the kitchen.

The mental work is carried on from four to seven; from 8 to 9:30, lessons are prepared. They have calisthenics half an hour daily, and half an hour's walk twice a day. When 1½ hours are not required for study, they are taught plain or fancy needlework. The girls are not received under 14 years. By this time they have been confirmed by the clergy.

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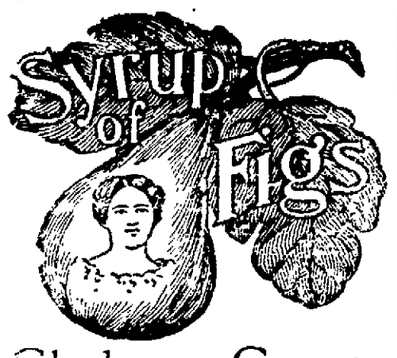

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With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

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WURTSBORO.

The Canal Company Assessment — Exchange of Properties—Sale of a Farm —The Death Record—Other Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—The following statement concerning the assessment and tax of the Delaware and Hudson Canal in Mamakating has been handed your correspondent for publication, together with the questions: First—Why was this reduction in valuation made? Second—Who was responsible for the same being made?

1895, valuation $209,000, tax paid	$5,471 29
1896, valuation $150,500, tax paid	4,294 12
Difference made up by taxpayers '96.	$1,177 08

—Mrs. Janette Harding had traded the Union House to Chauncey B. Newkirk for his Hudson street residence and a consideration. We have not learned whether Mr. N. intends to conduct the hotel.

—Frank Elliott, of Middletown, spent Sunday at C. B. Stanton's.

—A. M. Scriber, of the *Watchman*, occupied the Reformed Church pulpit Sunday morning.

—A pound social at James A. Fulton's, Friday evening, by the Reformed Church ladies was a very pleasant affair. Proceeds $27.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Bedford is improving.

—Dr. Chas. W. Piper has purchased the Mauerza Smith farm at Haven from Mrs. Janette Harding.

—Joseph E. Holmes has been quite sick, but is now improving.

—A new girl arrived at Ernest Hitt's residence on Friday.

—Wm. C. Cogswell has sold to Frank Griswold a building lot on Pine street.

—James Misner, residing in the Charles Bowers House, died, Sunday, of paralysis. On Monday night, a three-year-old son died of brain fever. Mr. Misner recently removed here from Orange county.

—Mrs. William Wyatt died, Tuesday morning at her home in this village of peritonitis. Her maiden name was Ella Langley. She leaves a husband and three children.

—The town votes in districts this spring, which has so complicated election matters that the Attorney General's advice has been asked.

SOUTH CENTREVILLE.

Recovering From Injuries—A Pleasant Surprise—Many Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence of ARGUS and MERCURY.

—William Hunt who, on Dec. 30, while helping P. Morrison fill his ice house broke the small bone of his leg and sprained his ankle, is able to be out on crutches.

—Tuesday evening, 16th, the sisters and cousins of J. P. Van Ness, of Greenville, gave him a surprise at his residence, and presented him with a handsome oak rocker.

—Miss May, a daughter of J. N. Carr, is ill with the grip and pluerisy.

—Frank Mather, merchant at Millsburg, is confined to the house by illness.

—Royal Moore who is a good citizen and has the nomination for collector in the town of Wawayanda, is well worthy of the office and needs what percentage there is from the office. Why not turn out next Tuesday, and vote for and elect him?

—Miss Emma Booth is on a few weeks' visit at Mr. and Mrs. George Winters', a brother-in-law near Amity. Miss Stella Winters, a daughter of Mr. Winters, is on a visit to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Booth, of near here.

—The steam saw mill has been moved from the M. L. Mapes farm, occupied by John Straine, to Edson Remey's farm at Eatontown.

—Smith Decker, of Deckertown, N. J., is on a week's visit to his brothers, Edward and Charles and sister, Hannah, of Eatontown.

—Mr and Mrs. Wm. Sayer and Mr. and Mrs. Witmore Reed, of New York, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Warren, of Eatontown.

CRYSTAL RUN.

Shipping Lumber—Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Alex Shaw is loading some fine lumber at this station from his woods. He has loaded four cars in the past few weeks.

—Miss R. A. Crans returned, Tuesday, from a two weeks' stay in New York and Brooklyn.

—J. E. Van Benschoten, night operator at Walton, is home on a vacation.

Are you suffering from rheumatism Thomas' Eclectric Oil has cured thousands of the worst cases of this terrible disease. It only costs 25 cents to try it.

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There is nothing just as good as Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, so demand it and do not permit the dealer to sell you some substitute. He will not claim there is anything better, but in order to make more profit he may claim something else to be just as good. You want Dr. King's New Discovery because you know it to be safe and reliable, and guaranteed to do good or money refunded. For Coughs, Colds, Consumption and for all affections of Throat, Chest and Lungs, there is nothing so good as is Dr. King's New Discovery. Trial bottle free at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store. Regular size 50 cents and $1.00.

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NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Spot weak; fairly active. March, 80⅞c.; May, 79⅝c.; July, 79½c.

Corn—Spot market dull and steady. May, 29½c.; July, 30⅜c.

Oats—Spot trade quiet but steady. May, 21⅝c.

Pork—Market firm; trade easier. Extra prime, nominal; short clear, $8.50@10.00; mess, $8.25@9.00; family, $9.50@10.00.

Eggs—Steady; moderately demand. State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 17¼c.; ice house (case), $2.25@$3.50; western, fresh, 17c.; limed, 12½@13c.; southern, 16@16¼c.

Butter—Moderate demand; steady. Creamery, western extras, 19c.; state and Pennsylvania, extras, 17@19c.; creamery, western seconds, 15c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 17c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made, extras, 10½@12c.; western, imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 11@16c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 7@14c.

Cheese—Market firm; fair demand. Cream, large size, fall made, colored, 12½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 6@9¾c.

Potatoes—Steady; moderate demand. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.25@1.50; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, 75c.@$1.25. Sweet potatoes, $1.00@$1.50.

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One Minute Cough Cure, cures. That is what it was made for.

Express Companies Not Consolidating.

New York, Feb. 26.—A dispatch published here yesterday from Anderson, Ind., stating that the Adams and American Express companies had consolidated their offices in several cities in that state and that in all probability the National Express company would also become a party to the scheme, gave rise to rumors here that the companies named were consolidating interests there which might extend to other states. This, however, is not the case. These companies are concentrating their offices under one roof in the smaller towns in the western division, but are not consolidating interests anywhere.

Death of Mrs. Sarah Hurd.

New York, Feb. 26.—Sarah Hurd, the widow of the late Dr. William E. Brown of Brooklyn, who is dead at the age of 81, was a sister of the late Hon. Samuel H. Walley of Boston, lieutenant governor of Massachusetts, and a niece of Wendell Phillips. Six children survive.

New York State Contract Awarded.

Albany, Feb. 26.—Superintendent of Public Works Aldridge has awarded the contract for constructing a steel bridge over the Erie canal at the junction of the Erie and Champlain canal to the Hilton Bridge Construction company at Albany for $7,754.

$10,705 for Personal Injuries.

Boston, Feb. 26.—A verdict of $10,705 for the plaintiff in the action brought by Miss Mary F. Keefe vs. the West End Street Railway company for injuries received in a collision of cars in Medford, has been returned in the superior court before Judge Sherman. She sued for $15,000.

To Permit Seining in Missisquoi Bay.

Ottawa, Ont., Feb. 26.—The minister of marine and fisheries has decided to permit the issuance of licenses for seining in Missisquoi bay, Lake Champlain, in conformity with a similar action by the states of New York and Vermont.

THE PACE THAT KILLS.

Something for Business Women to Read and Consider.

The pace that kills a business woman is the work she does at home. Good, hard, faithful attention to business never killed anyone, man or woman. Worry and the "seeing to things" idea—these are the two nails in the business woman's coffin.

The "seeing to things" idea is distinctly feminine. No man ever had it. Every woman is born with it. Men sit in a street car and watch the driver of a truck groan and tug, and try to get his wheels off the track, and not a man will move to help that driver or even sigh in sympathy. Every woman in the car is edging and peering and wishing she dared go out on the platform and "see to that truck."

That's the thing that kills women. They try to carry the world on their shoulders, and they don't realize that the world is a great deal better off without their puny strength under it.

Business women try to do too many kinds of things. They are, most of them, "Jills of all trades." When a business man gets up in the morning he takes his bath, goes into the dining room and eats his breakfast, kisses his family good-by and goes downtown to work, like a sensible man. The business woman—do you know her? I do.

I'll tell what the business woman does. She gets up early and goes into the children's room and fusses around for half an hour or so. If you ask her what she is doing, she'll say she's "seeing to things."

She hires a servant—and waits upon her. She pays a dressmaker—and sits up nights studying fashion books for a new way to have a dress made. She buys a hat—and takes it home and tears it all to pieces and makes it over again. She dictates to a typewriter—and then rakes the "copy" and corrects it herself. She works herself ill over something she can't do, and ought not to do, and takes a ruefal pleasure in a martyred spell of illness.

She worries about other people's troubles, she frets over other people's children, she almost takes medicine for other people's headaches, and she puts all her friends into nervous irritation trying to "see to them."

If the business woman is worth one half her salary, she puts all these things out of her mind at the office.—N. Y. Times.

Draped Bodices.

A rival—and if the issues were important, it might be said a formidable rival—of the new pointed bodice name after various queens is the draped or folded corsage. Arranged to suit different types of figures, it can be made very becoming to stout, medium and slender forms severally, the folds being more or less voluminous, broad or narrow, few or many in number, arranged high or placed low, and laid above deep cestture that comes up very high on the bodice, or merely held in place by a low, narrow pointed girdle—short, to suit the special individual under consideration. These draped crossed bodices are not relegated to evening toilets exclusively, but appear on stylish day gowns and corsages formed usually of soft, pliable materials. St. Leon's Powder.

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Like biliousness, dyspepsia, headache, constipation, sour stomach, indigestion are promptly cured by Hood's Pills. They do their work

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Oftimes good indorsement there.

But of little service here at home.

Middletown people want local proof.

The sayings of neighbors, friends and citizens.

Home indorsements counts.

It disarms the skeptic, is beyond dispute.

This is the backing that stands behind every box of Doan's Kidney Pills; here is a case of it:

W. H. Sutton, No. 56 North street, who has charge of the upholstering department of the O. and W. R. R., says: "My health has always been good with the exception of a kidney complaint that has caused me more or less trouble for the last two and a half or three years. Sometimes the pains in my loins was so bad I could not do anything. Every morning when I tried to get up my back was lame or stiff or sore. I tried, amongst other things for it, Doan's Kidney Pills, getting them at J. E. Mills drug store. In a very short time all traces of my complaint disappeared and I have not been troubled since. I think Doan's Kidney Pills a wonder."

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and BEACON STREET. These are the finest building sites in this city, with graded streets, city water, pure air, good drainage and a view unexcelled. I predict more building and improvements in this part of the city than all other parts combined. The time to buy real estate is when prices are at rock bottom.

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To the above named defendants and each of them:—You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action, and to serve a copy of your answer on the plaintiff's attorney within twenty days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service, and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint. Trial to be held in the county of Orange, N. Y.

Dated this ninth day of December, 1896.

GEO. H. DECKER, Plaintiff's Attorney, office and postoffice address, 16 East Main street, Middletown, N. Y.

To Isaac S. Little, Georgianna Little, Fannie J. Smith, Harlan P. Little, Mary Little, Helen Augusta Bell, William Bell and Fannie J. Currie:—The foregoing summons is served upon you by publication, pursuant to an order of Hon. M. H. Hirschberg, Justice of the Supreme Court, dated the 16th day of January, 1897, and filed with the complaint in the office of the Clerk of the county of Orange, N. Y., at Goshen, N. Y.

GEO. H. DECKER, Plaintiff's Attorney, Middletown, N. Y. d WedFtMch1

IN pursuance of an order of the Surrogate of the County of Orange notice is hereby given according to law to all persons having claims against the estate of William H. Woodruff, late of the town of Crawford, in said county, deceased, that they are required to present the same, with the proper vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, the administratrix and administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of said deceased, at the residence of the administratrix, Antoinette A. Woodruff, in the town of Crawford aforesaid, their place of transacting business of said estate on or before the 19th day of June, 1897.

Dated December 10th, 1896.

ANTOINETTE A. WOODRUFF, administratrix, RICHARD A. WOODRUFF, administrator.

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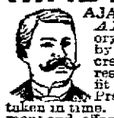

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A. E. NICKINSON, }

The Spaniards have pardoned Sanguilly and released Scott and Scovel's release will come in due season. It is only necessary for this country to show an interest in its citizens and a purpose to protect them in order to bring the haughty Dons to terms. A warship in Havana harbor might "irritate" Spain, but it would add much to the safety of American citizens in Cuba.

William L. Parkhurst, of Canadaigua, who was confirmed, yesterday, as Lunacy Commissioner, owes his appointment to the influence of Senator Raines, who secured for him the endorsement of the machine leaders. The nomination was a sore disappointment to at least a score of Suffolk county Republicans, who were more than anxious to succeed Mr. Reeves.

The *Advertiser* in a long article foreshadows the defeat of the Republicans of Warwick on Tuesday next. It intimates very plainly that the Republicans of that town are all by the ears and that Jesse Durland, who was defeated as a candidate for Supervisor, last spring, is to be "vindicated" by his friends defeating the candidates nominated this spring by the Wisner faction.

Lexow's investigation of trusts came to an ignoble end, yesterday. The final act of the farce was Mr. Lexow's announcement of surprise that two Rubber Trust witnesses had failed to appear, which was, to say the least, in marked contrast with his bluster at the opening sessions, when he threatened reluctant witnesses with every penalty that the Senate of the great State of New York could inflict. Lexow's grapple with the trusts will long stand out in legislative annals as a masterpiece of investigation that did not investigate.

PLATT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

From the Albany Argus.

Very little was accomplished yesterday, in the Albany branch of the Legislature, but it is reported that Mr. Platt was in executive session and closed up a great deal of unfinished business.

W. C. T. U. NOTES.

Address By Horace Arney—Sociable at Mrs. Groo's.

—On Monday evening, March 1st, in the rooms, 134 North street, at 8 o clock, Rev. H. Arney, who is well and favorably known, will deliver an address to which everybody is invited. Collection at the close of services.

—Sunday afternoon meeting as usual in the rooms, at 3 o'clock. "Come thou with us and we will do thee good."

—The next social will be at the residence of the President, Mrs. Mary F. Groo, 53 Landen avenue, Friday evening, March 5th. There will be a fine programme, both literary and musical, and refreshments all for twenty five cents.

Probably the Smallest Children Ever Born in Newburgh.

From the Newburgh Register.

On Monday morning Mrs. Matthew Kerwin gave birth to twins. They were midgets, the smallest ever born in the city. One weighed a pound and a half, the other a trifle in excess of two pounds. The smaller of the twins died Thursday. The probability is that the other one will also die. It is said they were so small and so weak that it was not supposed from the moment of birth that either could live.

Challenged to Play Basket Ball.

The Twenty-fourth Separate Co. Basket Ball team has received a challenge to play the Yonkers Athletic Association at the armory in this city, on the evening of March 20th. The Yonkers association will play in Newburgh, on March 19th. The Twenty-fourth's team has not yet taken action upon the challenge but will probably accept.

McQuoid's Twenty-fourth Annual Ball.

Tickets for the twenty-fourth annual ball of McQuoid Engine Co., at the Assembly Rooms, Monday evening, are selling rapidly and it is certain that the attendance will be very large and that all who attend will have a good time, for the McQuoid's are past masters of the art of entertaining their friends.

Will Discontinue Business.

P. A. Farch, of the Middletown Clothing Company, will discontinue business March 1st, and will take a position with Geo. W. Young, the East Main street clothier.

A Valuable Prescription.

Editor Morriston, of Worthington Ind., "*Sun.*" writes. "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for Constipation and Sick Headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal." Mrs Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and $1.00. Get a Bottle at McMonagle & Rogers Drug Store.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

STATE CAPITAL HAPPENINGS.

Proposed Normal School at Ramapo—Growing Needs of Charitable Institution.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, Feb. 26.—Mr. Whritner has introduced a bill in the Assembly appropriating $50,000 for the establishment of a normal school in the town of Ramapo; also a bill exempting railroad roadmasters from jury duty.

The State Board of Charities estimates that institutions subject to its supervision will need $1,311,250 against $1,142,259 last year.

TO SUPPRESS NEWS OF THE FIGHT

The Reform Bureau's Bill to Prevent Newspapers from Printing Accounts of It.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26—If the reform bureau here is unable to prevent the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight it will endeavor to minimize the printed accounts. It has prevailed on the House Commerce Committee to report a bill forbidding newspapers sent by mail or carried by inter-state railroads to prevent pictures or detailed descriptions of the fight.

GREECE WILL WITHDRAW FROM CRETE.

BY UNITED PRESS.

LONDON, Feb. 26.—A Greek firm here has despatch from Athens saying that King George will withdraw his troops and warships from Crete in obedience to the demand of the powers.

THE FLOOD IN THE OHIO SUBSIDING

BY UNITED PRESS.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 26.—At all points from Pittsburgh to Maysville the Ohio river is falling very rapidly and the danger is over in all the inundated river towns. From Maysville to Cincinnati the flood is at its worst, but a general subsidence is expected soon.

LATIMER JONES TO BE EXTRADITED

BY UNITED PRESS

LONDON, Feb. 26.—Latimer R. Jones, arrested on a charge of obtaining money in America by forgeries, was again arranged in police court, to-day. The Judge ordered that he be extraditated to America.

SENATE WILL WORK, ASSEMBLY MAY PLAY.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, Feb. 26.—The Senate has refused to adjourn with the Assembly to March 8th, but has agreed that the Assembly should so adjourn.

VICTORY FOR WOMAN SUFFRAGE

BY UNITED PRESS.

OLYMPIA, Feb. 26—The Senate has passed a bill submitting the question of Woman Suffrage to a general election. It is believed the bill will pass the House.

TO ELECT A SENATOR IN KENTUCKY

BY UNITED PRESS.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 26.—The Governor will call the Legislature in extra session, March 10th, to elect a United States Senator.

HELD UP NEAR THIS CITY.

Highwaymen Stop James Kelly Between John Bradley's and Henry Pound's.

James Kelly, of the town of Wawayanda, while returning from this city, Wednesday evening, had an adventure while in the shadow of the willows just this side of H. S. Pound's residence.

Two men stepped from the roadside and one grabbed at the horse's bridle; the animal shied and grasping the situation Mr. Kelly gave him the reins and the whip and he was soon out of reach of his highwaymen.

One of the men shied a club at Mr. Kelly's head, which passed so close that he felt the wind.

A Foreclosure Sale.

The Wessels property, on Sprague avenue, near Washington street was sold at the Holding House at 2 o'clock, this afternoon, McCready & Finch, contractors of Tuxedo, being the purchaser, at $2,370. Vanamee, Watts & Vail were the plaintiff's attorneys, and other parties interested were represented by counsel. D. Finn, Esq., was referee.

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OBITUARY.

Samuel Liscomb Everett.

Samuel Liscomb Everett, a well known and highly respected citizen of the town of Mount Hope, died at 3:30 o'clock this morning, of pneumonia. He had been troubled with heart disease for some time, and when pneumonia set in he failed rapidly.

Mr. Everett was born in the town of Wallkill, Nov. 25th, 1825, and was therefore in his seventy-third year.

When he was a child his father purchased a farm in what is the northern part of the city. The house is still standing on Highland avenue, and was remodeled a few years ago by H. W. Corey. Here he lived until 1850, when he was married to Susan M., daughter of Hezekiah Hulse, and then began life for himself on the farm now owned by H. E. Hulse, near Milo, where he resided many years. He later returned to the old homestead on Highland avenue, and later purchased what is now known as the Holbert farm, near Goshen, and built the fine brick residence thereon.

A few years ago he exchanged this place with C. Macardell for a farm in Mount Hope, and spent the remaining years of his life there with his daughter, Mrs. Ira Ketcham.

Mr. Everett's wife died twenty-one years ago. He is survived by three children, Lewis H., of Goshen; Frank E., of Hamptonburgh, and Hattie E., wife of Ira Ketcham, of Mt. Hope, with whom he resided. He is also survived by one sister, Harriet, widow of Lewis Everett, of this city, and one brother, Thomas H. Everett, of Seneca county, N. Y.

Mr. Everett was an honest man, a good citizen, a kind husband and father. He was beloved by his friends and respected by his acquaintances.

The funeral will take place Monday at his late residence, at 1 o'clock p. m. The interment will be in Hillside Cemetery.

Sarah Jane Johnson.

Mrs. Sarah Jane Johnson, widow of the late Jacob M. Johnson, died at her home in Ridgebury, late yesterday afternoon, of general debility, aged eighty-three years and eight months.

Mrs. Johnson was a daughter of Martin L. and Cornelia (Brink) Mapes, and was the last of six children. She was married Dec. 8th, 1831, and her husband died Dec. 13th, 1861. Most of her life was spent in Ridgebury, and she was the oldest member of the Presbyterian Church in that village, having united with it in 1835, having come to it from the Centreville Church. She was always present at the weekly services and prayer meetings, and took a profound interest in all that pertained to the church's welfare.

She held a warm place in many hearts, and was called "Auntie" Johnson by all who knew her. She had a remarkable memory, and her home was the scene of many gatherings, at which she entertained her friends by the hour with reminiscences of old times.

The funeral notice appears elsewhere.

Marietta Colwell.

Mrs. Marietta, widow of the late Francis Colwell, died at her home in Montgomery at 8:30 o'clock, this morning, aged about seventy-seven years. Her only surviving relative is a sister, Mrs. Gray, of Mill street, this city.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Friends of Mrs. Ira Harding will regret to learn that she was stricken with paralysis, last night. Her family hope, however, that she will recover from the effects of the stroke.

A Whist Party.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Merrill entertained a party of friends at whist at their home on Richmond Hill, last evening.

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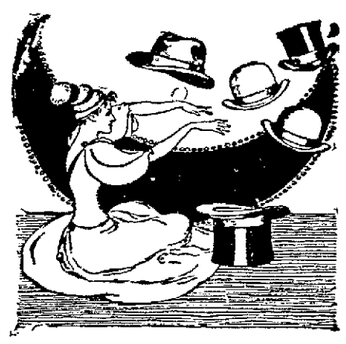

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WEATHER INDICATIONS.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Saturday, generally fair, preceded by threatening weather and light flurries of snow; colder, northerly winds.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **24°**; 12 m., **36°**; 3 p. m., **34°**.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—Feb. 26—Roberts Harper's illustrated lecture, for benefit of Y. M. C. A., at the Casino.
—March 1—Twenty-fourth annual ball of McQuoic Engine Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—March 2—Stereoptican lecture, at Assembly Rooms.
—March 2—Lecture by Rev. Horace Arney, at North Street Congregational Church, on "Behind the Scenes or the Story of an Actor's Life."
—March 4—Concert by the Schubert Quartette, at St. Paul's M. E. Church.
—March 5—W. C. T. U. social, at Mrs. Groo's, 53 Linden avenue.
—March 15—Temple Quartette, at Casino, benefit of Y. M. C. A.
—April 22—Ball of Surprise Hook and Ladder Co., at Assembly Rooms.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

—Properties for sale and to let by Wheeler.
—Lecture by Roberts Harper, at Casino, to-night
—Black dress goods cheap at Carson & Towner's
—Situation wanted doing housework.
—Concert at St. Paul's Church, March 4th.
—Po-tum, substitute for coffee, at grocers.
—Lydia Pinkham—woman's friend.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—DeWitt Camp Fife and Drum Corps will practice, to-night.

—There will be no rehearsal of the Schubert Club until Monday, March 8.

—Umpqua Tribe, I. O. R. M., conferred the adoption degree on two candidates, at the council fire, last evening.

—Sam Allen, a Tri-States boy, was sent to the Albany Penitentiary, yesterday, for four months for stealing coal from an Erie car.

—The meeting in the interest of the proposed new hotel, which was to have been held, to-night, has been adjourned until to-morrow evening.

—The ladies of the Honesdale Presbyterian Church cleared $396.53 by a Martha Washington supper, which they gave on Washington's Birthday.

—Supervisor Quick, of Deerpark, had 50,000 trout fry distributed in the streams of that town, yesterday. Another consignment of 50,000 is expected in a few days.

—Newburgh's Health Board has awarded the contracts for the erection of a contagious disease hospital on the alms house ground. The building is to cost $4,300.

PERSONAL.

—Harry Williams, of Jersey City, was in town, yesterday.

—Mrs. E. A. and Mrs. O. H. Brown went to Port Jervis, on Erie train 21, to day.

—Mrs. Andrew Mapes, of Middletown, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wm. Bennett.—*Chester News.*

—Miss Hatie Loder, of Middletown, is visiting her cousin, Miss Carrie Clark.—*Ellenville Journal.*

—Mrs. James H. Smith, of Middletown, visited this week at her brother's, Ora Harden's.—*Wantage Recorder.*

—Mrs. E. M. Taylor, of Middletown is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. J. W. McCartney.—*Ellenville Journal.*

—Mrs. Peter Loweree, living near Hiram Towner's, Monticello, will move to Middletown this spring.—*Republican.*

—Miss E. R. Townsend, of Sing Sing, who has been visiting Mrs. C. C. Lucky, for the past two weeks, returned home, to-day.

—Thomas Lain and son, Harry, who is a clerk in Mills' drug store, will go to Washington to witness McKinley's inauguration.

—The Ogdensburgh correspondent of the Deckertown *Independent* says that Miss Ella Henion, of this city, is visiting friends at that place.

—James Dickson, of the firm of J. Dickson & Brother, marble and monument dealers of Jersey City, is in this city, to-day, on business.

A Surprise Party.

Reginald, son of Alonzo Comfort, was given a surprise, last night, at his home on Wawayanda avenue, when about 125 of his friends marched in upon him.

The visitors brought with them Barnes' orchestra and an abundance of good things to eat.

The evening was spent in various social amusements, singing, games, dancing, etc., and it was not until 3 o'clock, this morning, that the visitors were satisfied to return to their homes and seek repose.

The New Police Headquarters.

The new police headquarters are very pleasant. The room, which is in the northeast corner of the second floor, is large and well lighted; is provided with closet and lavatory and a storage closet and in the hall adjoining are six lockers for the officers' use. There is a rear stairway through which prisoners may be taken to and from the lockup.

Ladies' Night at the Middletown Club.

The Middletown Club held its first ladies' night, last night, and the occasion was a very pleasant one. About a dozen ladies were present. There were four tables at whist, at three of which a compass match was played. The high scores were made by Mrs. C. C. Luckey and Frank O. Tompkins.

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A RESTAURANT BURNED OUT.

Lawrence Hermann's Place on Depot Street Badly Damaged by Fire—Narrow Escape of Several Lodgers in the Building—Firemen's Hard Fight With the Flames.

The building occupied by Lawrence Hermann, as a restaurant at No. 7 Depot street, was badly damaged by fire, last night, and several occupants of sleeping apartments upon the third floor had a very narrow escape from death by suffocation.

The ground floor of the building, which is a wooden structure, is occupied as an eating saloon and bar room with a kitchen in the rear. The apartments on the second floor are fitted up as private dining rooms, and the third floor contains three sleeping apartments which were occupied by Joseph Misner, Lawrence Rucke, and George Herman, the latter a son of the proprietor.

Mr. Hermann left the restaurant for his home shortly after 12:30 and the others retired to their apartments. Mr. Misner was awakened about 1:30 by a smell of smoke and calling the other sleepers made an investigation. George Hermann saw at once that the fire was a serious one and lost no time in sending in an alarm from Box 26 at the Casino.

In the meantime Mr. Misner was prevented from returning to his room by the dense smoke, and hurriedly made his way to Mr. Hermann's apartments in the Nealing building, clad only in his night shirt.

The firemen responded promptly and several streams were soon at work. The fire was in rear of the building and there was no way of getting at it, save through the front end of the building and the dense smoke rendered effective work very difficult. Two hours' hard work were required before the fire was finally extinguished.

The interior of the building and the rear portion were badly damaged by water and fire, probably beyond repair. The fire found its way through the siding and communicated with the adjoining building, occupied by J. H. Conkling, the tinsmith. The latter's loss, which will probably reach $100, is covered by a policy for $1,000 with the Liverpool, London and Globe Insurance Company, through the agency of Case & Taylor.

Mr. Hermann holds a policy for $800 in the Hanover Fire Insurance Company, with the same agency, on his stock and fixtures, which are a total loss.

The building is owned by the W. P. Carey estate and is insured for $800 in the American Insurance Co., of New York, with Combs & Wilbur.

Messrs. Misner, Ruckel and George Hermann lose a quantity of clothing, and the former claims to have lost a roll of money containing $120. A watch which had been left in a vest pocket on a chair was recovered by Assistant Chief Higham, who upon being informed of its exact location, reached through a window from a ladder and secured the vest. One-half of it, however, had been burned, but luckily the watch was uninjured.

MUSICAL SERVICE AT GRAGE CHURCH

An Attractive Programme Arranged for Sunday Evening.

The choir of Grace Church, under the direction of Harvey Wickham, will give its third monthly musical service, Sunday evening.

The following is a partial programme: Mendelssohn, "Hear My Prayer," a sacred cantata for soprano, solo and chorus; Crew, "Cantata Domini," in G; Buck, "Deus Miserentur," in E flat; Jordan, "Trusting I Call;" Mendelssohn, "Hearts Feel That;" "Love Thee," ladies' trio and semi-chorus from "Athalia."

Solo and quartette parts will be taken by Mrs. Harvey Wickham and Miss Emma Wolf, sopranos; Mrs. Bertha Olney, contralto; Z. K. Greene, tenor, and David Eilenberger, bass. A choir of about thirty-five voices will be present.

PORT JERVIS' VENTURE IN SHOES

Stockholders in the Shoe Factory Will Get Back Half of One Per Cent. on Their Investment.

The receivers of the Port Jervis shoe factory have practically wound up the affairs of the concern. Its accounts have been collected or sold and its debts paid, and there remains in the hands of the receivers a balance barely sufficient to pay stockholders a divident of half of one per cent. on their investment. The company had a capital of $25,000, and the shares were held by 150 people, who invested from $25 to $6,000, the latter amount having been put in by P. T. Perrault, the projector of the enterprise.

A "Seeley Dinner" in Port Jervis.

Word comes from Port Jervis to the effect that the woman who figured so prominently in a "Seeley dinner" at a resort near this city, Wednesday evening, repeated her shameless performance to the delight of a coterie of Port Jervis sports, last night.

Indicted for Murder in Ulster County.

The Ulster county Grand Jury, yesterday, indicted Thomas King for the murder of Patrick Mulligan, a boatman, at Saugerties, on the night of Nov. 20 last. King is now in Kingston jail. He will be arraigned for trial March 15th.

The Heart Must Not Be Trifled With.

Where there are symptoms of heart weakness, there should be Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart. It's a magical remedy, gives relief in thirty minutes, and there are thousands who testify that it cures permanently. Mrs. W. T. Ruadle, of Dundalk, Ont., says: "I was for years unable to attend to my household duties. I used Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart, the result was wonderful, the pain left me immediately after the first dose, and a few bottles cured." Sold by James T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

A GEORGE WASHINGTON SOCIABLE

Given by the Ladies' Aid Society of St Paul's Church.

The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Paul's M. E. Church gave a George Washington social, last evening, at 23 Wickham avenue, both floors, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. C. May and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Elliott, being thrown open to the guests.

There was an American flag over the entrance, the portrait of the Father of Our Country was the first object that met the eye on entering the hall, the stairway and every room in the house were liberally decorated with flags and bunting and evidences of patriotism were to be seen everywhere, even the historic hatchet being very much in evidence. Little pasteboard hatchets were tucked away in the curtains, among the bunting and in every conceivable place about the house where a hatchet could be placed.

The object of this display of hatchets was made apparent during the evening when a basket of hatchets was passed around, each person receiving one upon which some question concerning George Washington had been written. Each hatchet bore a number and somewhere about the house was a corresponding number giving the answer to the question. The search for these hatchets furnished considerable amusement.

"The Star Spangled Banner" was sung by Mrs. May, Mrs. Whitaker, Miss Robinson, Miss Millard and Mr. Brice. Piano solos were rendered by Miss Lulu Kirby and clarionet solos by Frank Brady.

Refreshments were served and a pleasant social time was had by all. There were about sixty persons present.

WHERE COAL PROFITS GO.

Testimony of Clinton W. Wisner, of Warwick, Before the Lexow Committee.

Clinton W. Wisner, of Warwick, Vice President of the Stevens Coal Co., which works mines on the line of the Lehigh Valley Railroad, was a witness before the Lexow Committee, yesterday. His testimony was of little real importance as bearing on the existence of a combination among the coal carrying railroads to maintain prices.

Mr. Wisner testified that his company sold its coal to the Lehigh Valley Company at sixty per cent. of the tidewater price, the railroad taking the remaining forty per cent. He said it cost on the average $1 80 to mine a ton of anthracite coal and that at present prices his company made a profit of fifty-two cents a ton, less royalties, and the railroad received $1.55 for hauling it to market.

To Prevent the Pollution of the Passaic River.

The commission appointed to report on the best method of preventing the pollution of the Passaic River recommends the construction of a great trunk sewer, which shall conduct the sewage of the cities and towns along the lower river to a point where there will be no danger of pollution. The cost of the improvement, which will be very considerable, is to be borne by the communities and individuals using and benefitted by the sewer.

Complaint to the State Health Board Against Middletown.

The State Board of Health, at its next meeting, will consider a complaint which it has received from "residents of Orange county" against the city of Middletown. The complaint charges that the city, in violation of section 73 of the health law, has emptied sewage into the Wallkill River.

Concert by the Schubert Quartette.

Thursday evening, March 4th, Middletown people will have the pleasure of hearing the Schubert Quartette. On that date, at St. Paul's Church, these ladies will give one of their delightful concerts; the first they have given in this city. Tickets 35 cents. d26,27,2,3,4

Making Improvements.

Knapp & Merritt, who recently purchased the building 11 and 13 James street, commenced, yesterday, to make improvements. The floor will be lowered to the sidewalk and two neat stores will be fitted up.

Nearly a Ton and a Half of Garden Seeds

F. M. Pronk evidently expects Middletown people to make gardens on a large scale, this year. He received, Thursday, an invoice of 2,815 pounds,—nearly a ton and a half, of garden seeds.

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INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

Who Stole the Bedding from the Car?—The Ladies' Whist Club—A Wedding—Stamboul to Be Shown in New York.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—In the rear of the Goshen freight depot stands the "cattle pen," at which cows consigned or purchased by Goshen dealers are loaded on the cars or unloaded as the case may be. It has long been the custom of certain people to go to the cars when empty and remove the bedding for fertilizing purposes. One day recently some one visited a car and took away all the bedding, leaving the floor in a slippery condition. Ryerson Bros. that night loaded the car with cattle for the New York market. Owing to the condition of the floor two cows were badly injured, one dying enroute to the city and the other being so badly injured that she was rendered unfit for sale and therefore valueless. The Messrs. Ryerson lost $65 because of the injuries received by the cows and they strongly desire the Erie Railroad Co. to compensate them. This the company rather dislikes to do and they are making energetic efforts to discover the man who took the fertilizer. He is keeping quiet and as no one saw him take the material it will probably cost him nothing. The affair is not yet settled, however, and developments of interest may yet come up.

—The Ladies' Whist Club was entertained at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Thompson, yesterday afternoon, by Miss Ada Murray.

—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Smith, on Grand street, yesterday morning, their daughter, Mattie F., was united in marriage by the Rev. R. B. Clark to George A. Owen, a rural resident of the town.

—Stamboul, E. H. Harriman's famous trotting stallion, will be shown in harness at Madison Square Garden on the evening of March 3d, at the opening of the sale of horses consigned by Arden Farms.

—It is rumored that Harry W. White, who at one time resided here, will return in a short time and engage in the masonry and building business with one of Goshen's prominent builders.

—The Kingston *Freeman* says: "On March 1st, W. H. Cory and wife, of this city, will remove to Goshen, where they will remain for probably a year. Mr. Cory will spend about half of his time there and the remainder of the time in this city. It is to settle up the estate of the late Nathaniel VanSickle, an uncle of his, of whose will he is an executor, that Mr. Cory removes to Goshen. Asked if he was sorry that he had to spend half of the next year in Goshen, Mr. Cory smiled and said. 'Oh no, there's a good race track there where I can enjoy myself.'"

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Not the least interesting feature of the great sale is the WONDERFUL display we are showing and the prices. A special line all wool Extra Super Ingrain, all new patterns, at 49c a yard; extra heavy (good variety patterns) Ingrain at 39c a yd. Mattings—40 yard rolls good Cotton Warp Matting at 48c a roll. Oil Cloth! Yes, Oil Cloth cheap—The 50c grade at 25c a square yard, the 25c grade at 15c a square yard. Curtains and Window Shades. See hand bills for particulars. Wall Paper—We will sell two special patterns (new designs) with border to match 2c a roll.

Now is your time to buy Wall Paper. Stock complete and all sold at a dry goods profit. We are also offering special inducements in New Silks, Dress Goods and New Wash Fabrics. We will sell during this sale 10 yds good Unbleached Cotton Domet Flannel for 39 cents. 10 yards Summer Flannel for 69 cents. Fruit of the Loom Muslin. Yes, five cases of Fruit of the Loom Muslin to go during this sale—10 yards Fruit of the Loom Muslin for 69 cents.

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Dated Middletown, N Y Jan 25th 1897
GEORGE F CORWIN, Assignee
EDWIN S MERRILL, Attorney for Assignee
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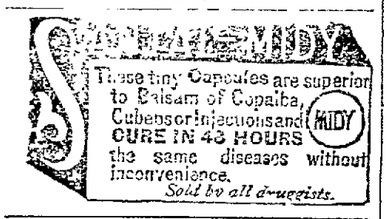
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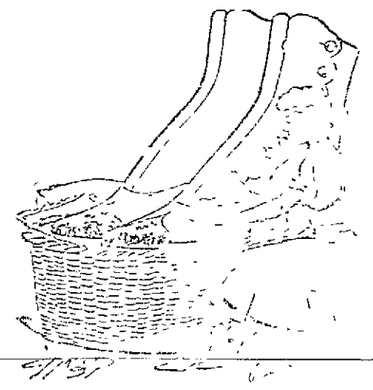

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LONESOME WORK.

Lighthouse Keeping Along the Florida Keys.

A Coast Whereon Lie the Wrecks of Many Ships - How the Keepers Pass Their Long Watches.

More ship's bones lie upon the outer reef girding the keys of south Florida than perhaps upon any other shoals, excepting Hatteras, in this country. Capt. Thomas S. Eells, agent of the Lloyds in this city, has a record of shipwrecks on the coast of Florida for many years, and the aggregate losses foot up surprisingly high in the millions of dollars.

The strait of Florida has long been an ocean highway for steamers and sailing ships bound from foreign and domestic ports to New Orleans, Central and South America. In fact, the outlet of the great Gulf of Mexico, surrounded by rich and fertile countries, has been this narrow strait between the keys and Cuba, through which the gulf stream passes. Consequently, it is not surprising that in this narrow strait, the caldron where the West Indian hurricanes generate, with its concealed reefs of cruel coral, thousands of vessels have ended their careers, and more than thousands of men have lost their lives. Few sailors pass through the straits now without being reminded of the brave men and the brave ships whose skeletons whiten the sands beneath the surface of the limpid green waters, and some of them, as they watch the storm scud fly across the moon and listen to the moan of the reef buoy mingling with the creaking of the spars of the ship, perhaps have good ground to believe that this place is haunted by demons of the deep and the souls of dead comrades.

It is no wonder that the inhabitants of the keys, the "Couchs," have grown rich in wrecking. In these latter days, however, there are fewer wrecks in the strait than there were some years ago, for Uncle Sam has marked the contour of the dangerous hidden reef with a fine system of lighthouses, each with a light of separate and distinct character, so that the mariner may know how to shape his course in the blackest and stormiest of nights.

The job of lighthouse keeper is about the loneliest way of making a living in the catalogue of occupations. The mental strain has proven so great in several instances that the keeper grew melancholy to such a degree that he ended it by blowing out his brains. The system is now so arranged that the sudden darkening of an important reef lamp by a suicide's bullet is not probable, for two keepers are stationed in each lighthouse for company's sake as well as to guard against sickness.

These two keepers of the key lights for two months on a stretch seldom see any faces except their own and converse with nobody except each other. The lighthouses are, on the average, 20 miles from land, and ships pass from ten to twenty miles away. The lighthouses are built of four great iron pillars, founded deep in the coral and towering toward each other. Platforms of steel bind the pillars together, sleeping and storage rooms are constructed and the lamp crowns all. The place is not perilous, but in a storm must be what the colored folks call "lonesome" to an uncanny degree.

After two months of service the keeper has a month ashore to spend with his family or how he pleases. The families of the reef lightkeepers are not allowed in the houses. They are looked upon as a distraction that might cause the keeper to neglect his duty.

Most of the keepers have developed into omnivorous readers. Some of them, however, have pursued a steady purpose, and one we have in mind prepared himself for admittance to the bar, and has since become one of Key West's most eminent lawyers. He has a dramatic manner of expression, and learned it, so 'tis said, by "noratin" to the winds and the waves, and his single companion. — Florida Times-Union

Tact.

Tact is born with some men and women, like the supple, delicate fingers of the artist's hand; and those who have use their gift instinctively. It is not measured alike to those who have it. Men possess it in different degrees, while others again are wanting in it altogether. It is the outcome of intellectual and temperamental qualifications, and implies the possession of clear perceptions, quick intuition and delicate sensibilities. It is these that give the tactful person his subtle intuition of another's mental processes and modes of feeling, and in the same moment exactly the right method of dealing with these.—N Y Ledger

Around the House.

Oak in its natural shades and the very dark bog oak are the two kinds of wood most used for both woodwork and furniture in library and dining-room

The newest furniture for spring is following after the old-time French periods, the time of the three Louis particularly. Sometimes a room has everything in it after one style, while, again, harmony in effect is sought without regard to any particular epoch.

Wire screens are now made to fit across the top of salad or punch bowls—a contrivance which will be appreciated by the housekeeper, who can now use the bowl as a centerpiece for holding cut flowers.—Chicago Record.

Oyster Omelet.

Beat up three eggs, very light, with one tablespoonful of milk and a pinch of salt. Pour on the hot pan, that has been sparingly greased with butter. Have half a cupful of oysters scalded, and when the omelet is done on the under side, dot half the top with the oysters and turn the other half of the omelet over them. Serve hot.—Ladies' World.

SIMPLE BREAKFASTS.

The Scotch make oat porridge the principal part of their breakfast, and this habit of the sturdy race is coming into quite general favor in America. Some fruit and grain with a hot cup of Postum Cereal and bread and butter is an ideal health breakfast.

Coffee hurts many people in ways they do not suspect.

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A FABULOUS SNAKE OF CHINA.

Marco Polo's Report Concerning the Province of Yunnan.

In this country gold dust is found in great quantities; that is to say, in the rivers and lakes, while in the mountains gold is also found in pieces of larger size. Gold is indeed so abundant that they give one saggio of gold for only six of the same weight in silver. And for small change, they use the porcelain shells, as I mentioned before. These are not found in the country, however, but are brought from India.

In this province are found snakes and great serpents of such vast size as to strike fear into those who see them, and so hideous that the very account of them must excite the wonder of those who hear it. I will tell you how long and big they are.

You may be assured that some of them are ten paces in length; some are more and some less. And in bulk they are equal to a great cask, for the bigger ones are about ten palms in girth. The head is very big. The mouth is large enough to swallow a man whole, and is garnished with great pointed teeth. And in short they are so fierce looking and so hideously ugly that every man and beast must stand in fear and trembling of them. There are also smaller ones, such as of eight paces long, and of five, and of one pace only.

The way in which they are caught is this. You must know that by day they live underground because of the great heat, and in the night they go out to feed, and devour every animal they can catch. They go also to drink at the rivers and lakes and springs. And their weight is so great that when they travel in search of food or drink, as they do by night, the tail makes a great furrow in the soil, as if a full tun of liquor had been dragged along. Now, the huntsmen who go after them take them by a certain gin (trap) which they set in the track over which the serpent has passed, knowing that the beast will come back in the same way. They plant a stake deep in the ground and fix on the head of this a sharp blade of steel made like a razor or a lance point, and then they cover the whole with sand so that the serpent cannot see it. Indeed, the huntsman plants several such stakes and blades on the track. On coming to the spot the beast strikes against the iron blade with such force that it enters his breast and rives (cuts) him so that he dies on the spot, and the crows on seeing the brute dead begin to caw, and then the huntsmen know that the serpent is dead, and come in search of him.

This, then, is the way these beasts are taken. Those who take them proceed to extract the gall from the inside, and this sells at a great price; for you must know it furnishes the material for a most precious medicine. Thus if a person is bitten by a mad dog, and they give him but a small pennyweight of this medicine to drink, he is cured in a moment. Again, if one has any disease of the skin and applies a small quantity of this gall he shall speedily be cured. So you see why it sells at such a high price

They also sell the flesh of this serpent, for it is excellent eating, and the people are very fond of it. And when these serpents are very hungry, sometimes they will seek out the lairs of lions or bears or other large wild beasts, and devour their cubs, without the sire or dam being able to prevent it. Indeed, if they catch the big ones themselves they devour them, too; they can make no resistance.—Noah Brooks, in St. Nicholas

RECKONING TIME SIMPLIFIED.

Ten Hours in a Day Being Advocated in France.

The news comes from Paris that the former assistant secretary of the colonies, Deputy Etienne, intends at the next meeting of the French chamber to offer a decimal subdivision of time for universal adoption.

The day is divided into 10 hours, the hour into 100 minutes and the minutes into 100 seconds, making 1,000 minutes or 100,000 seconds per day.

The hour hand always points in the direction of the sun. Consequently, as the day begins and ends at midnight, the hour hand points downward, as also do the minute hand and second hand, at the exact time of the change of day, or 10 o'clock. Thence it rises with the sun in its apparent motion around the earth, points to the zenith at noon, after which it descends until it reaches its extreme lower point again at midnight. Thus the hour hand makes but one revolution around the dial each day. It is, then, the figure X on the dial at which the hour hand commences and ends each day, the minute hand each hour and the second hand each minute.

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It is said that this decimal system of time originated in America, being the invention of a United States citizen, although probably the French will be first to recognize and adopt it.—Chicago News.

The Reason.

He—And so you love me because I am not like other men. And how do you know I am not like other men?

She—You are the only man who has never told me he was not like other men. —Brooklyn Life.

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MARY A BORLAND, Executrix.
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(F) Train No. 1 stops on signal for passengers west of Binghamton.

GOING EAST.

Nos	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 12 Chicago Ex. T	4.30 a.m.	
* 10 New York Special	6.01 "	
36 Middletown Way	6.30 "	....6.32 a.m
16 Orange Co. Ex. (G.M.	7.10 "	....7.12 "
28 Mountain Ex., T	8.23 "	.... 8.25 "
48 Del. Val. Ex. (M.P.G.)	10.48 "	
* 6 W. Mail, (G. except su)	12.55 p.m.	....1.00 p.m
50 Way, T. M. P. G	4.11 "	....4.13
* 8 C. & G. T. Ex	5.07 "	
* 8 C. & St. L. Limited,	6.12 "	
22 P. J. Local T	7.27 "	
* 14 Wells Fargo Express	10 40 "	
*606 P. J. Local (Sun only)		
M. P. and G. T	8.23 a.m.	
630 P. J. Local (Su only)	5.19 p.m.	
18 Milk (Sunday only)	7.00 p.m.	

GOING WEST

Nos.	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 17 Milk	7.00 a.m.	
* 21 Port Jervis Way	10.26 "	....10.32 a.m
7 Day Express	F10.56 "	
9 Del. Val. Exp. (ens	11.25 "	
11 Port Jervis Local	1.04 p.m.	.... 1.01 p.m
33 Port Jervis Exp	3.40 "	.... 3.37 "
†* 5 C. & St. L. Exp	4.07 "	
27 Mountain Exp.	5.42 "	.... 5.38 "
15 Orange Co. Exp	6.50 "	.... 6.45 "
25 Middletown Way ar	8.43 "	.... 8.08 "
* 7 C. & G. T. Exp	9.24 "	
29 Way	9.13 "	
* 3 Chicago Exp	11.12 "	
601 Sunday Local	10 38 a.m.	
625 P. J. Way (Sun only)	3.05 p.m	
617 " " "	10 29 "	

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Crawford Branch.

GOING NORTH.

No	Leave for	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
*101	Pine Bush Mail	11 50 a.m.	11.35 a.m
*115	" " "		6.55 p.m
Sundays only		11.05 a.m	11.10 a.m

COMING SOUTH

*128	Arrive from Pine Bush		8.16 a.m
*130	" " "		5.50 p.m

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"Thanky, mum; don't care if I do."

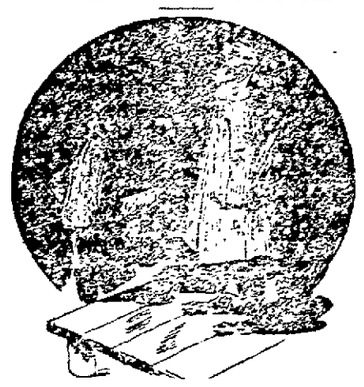
"I suppose," continued the lady, setting a square meal before him, "your life has been full of trials?"

"Yis, mum, an' the wust of it was I allus got convicted."—Demorest's Magazine.

As Usual.

There was a young man in Calcutta
Who strove to set folks in a flutta,
On sweet spirits de vino
He spent all his rhino,
And rode to his room on a shutta.
—Omaha World-Herald

VALUABLE INFORMATION.



Farmer—Why did they build this gol darned depot so far from town for?

Flagman—Cause I expect they wanted to get it near the railroad.

Farmer—Sho! I never thought of that.—Up-to-Date.

Peter's Wife.

Peter, Peter, pumpkin eater,
Had a wife and couldn't keep her;
He hid her bloomers, bike and bell,
And then he kept her very well.
—Collier's Weekly.

Same Everywhere.

"A great many people sleep between these walls," said the guide, showing the visitors through the ancient English church where the noble families were interred.

"Same way over in our country," replied the visitor; "why don't they get a better preacher?"—Tit-Bits.

Short But to the Point.

"Did Blodson say anything when he sat down on that pin?"

"I should think so; you should have just heard his remarks."

"Ah, very much to the point, I suppose."—Tit-Bits.

She Knew He Was Full.

Mrs. Crimsonbeak—What makes you so late to-night?

Mr. Crimsonbeak—I am full of business, dear.

"I supposed you were full of something."—Yonkers Statesman.

The Brute.

Young Mother—I wish I could find some way to keep baby from sucking his thumb.

Bachelor Uncle (with vivid recollections of the night before)—Try a muzzle.—N. Y. World.

Sometimes He Does.

Job Lott—One never loses anything by keeping his engagements punctually.

Kirby Stone—My experience is he is apt to lose half an hour's time waiting for the other fellow.—Boston Traveler.

His Message.

Surgeon (about to saw off patient's leg)—Your friends are outside in the visiting-room waiting for a message from you; what shall I tell them?

Patient—Just tell them that you saw me.—Up-to-Date.

Stuck to the Smoke.

Mills—Frank tells me his engagement to Miss Stancher ended in smoke.

Grills—Yes; she said that he would have to give up either her or his cigars, and he gave up her.—N. Y. Tribune.

She Knew.

He (hopefully)—It is said that freckles can be removed by kissing them.

She—Don't you believe it. Haven't I to—er—I mean it's merely superstition. —N. Y. World.

It Was Possible.

"Do you think you could learn to love me, Maud?"

"I don't know, George," she answered, softly; "I might. I learned German once."—Hartford Times.

Focal Distance.

"Men generally admire business sense in a woman, don't they?"

"Yes; but they admire it only in other men's wives and daughters."—Chicago Record.

The Other Woman.

He—She is no longer young, but she possesses the art to—to—how shall I express it? To—to—

The Female Rival—To embellish the remnants.—Le Monde Comique.

He Should Have Died.

Rakeleigh—Last summer, when I came near drowning, all my past life came back to me.

Miss Pert—I don't wonder you refused to drown.—Town Topics.

Seeking a Life of Ease.

"Why are you trying to get on the police force, Corker?"

"I've grown too heavy for any work requirin' activity, sir."—Detroit Free Press.

No Use for It.

Short—Jenkins says he'll call again to-morrow for his bill.

Pyerust (his partner)—Well, give it back to him. We never asked him for it, anyhow.—N. Y. Journal.

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For the information of our readers, we publish below a complete list of the numbers and locations of all the fire alarm boxes in this city:

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16—North St. and Wisner Ave., type shop.
17—Railroad avenue and Montgomery street.
18—Grand avenue and Prince street.
23—Wickham avenue, corner Liberty street.
24—West Main street and Wallkill avenue.
25—North street, corner Wickham avenue
26—James and Henry streets.
27—North and John streets, Erie crossing.
28—Lake avenue and Wier street
29—W. Main street, corner Monhagen avenue
213—State Hospital Gate.
214—Prospect street and Highland avenue.
215—Rear of State Hospital
34—Fulton and Mill streets, hat shop.
35—High and Hanford streets.
36—Canal street, condenser.
37—Mulberry and Fulton streets
38—Fourteen avenue and South street.
41—Fulton street and East avenue.
42—Academy avenue and Houston avenue.
43—Rear Main street and Railroad avenue
45—East Main street, foot of Orchard street
46—Academy avenue and Genung street.
47—Myrtle and Prospect avenue.
48—Grant street and Sprague avenues
49—East Main street and Prospect avenue
54—North street, near Orchard.
57—Franklin Square.
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Torturing, itching, scaly skin, eruptions, burns and scalds are soothed at once and promptly healed by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the best known cure for piles. W. D. Olney.

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J. J. Chambers, 57 North street, is now giving free to all a trial package of the great herbal remedy, Bacon's Celery King. If ladies suffering from nervous disorders and constipation will use this remedy they will soon be free from the headaches and backaches that have caused them so much suffering. It is a perfect regulator. It quickly cures biliousness, indigestion, eruptions of the skin and all blood diseases. Large sizes 25 and 50 cents.

One minute is all the time necessary to decide from personal experience that One Minute Cough Cure does what its name implies. W. D. Olney.

Thousands Are Trying It.

On receipt of ten cents, cash or stamps, a generous sample will be mailed of the most popular Catarrh and Hay Fever Cure (Ely's Cream Balm) sufficient to demonstrate its great merit. Full size 50 cents.

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Do You Dance To-night?

Shake into your shoes Allens Foot Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or new shoes easy. Cures corns, bunions, chilblains and sweating feet. At all druggist and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample sent free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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Many cases of "Grippe" have lately been cured by One Minute Cough Cure. This preparation seems especially adapted to the cure of this disease. It acts quickly thus preventing serious complications and bad effects in which this disease often leaves the patient. W. D. Olney.

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MEMPHIS, N. Y., Nov. 11, '95.—The Hand Medicine Co.—"Our baby, now nearly four months old, has been troubled ever since birth by Wind Colic. At first we tried the usual remedies, but until we tried Dr. Hand's Colic Cure found nothing that would give relief. Now we would not think of being without your Colic Cure and Dr. Hand's Remedies for Children, 25 cents. At all druggists.

NEW YORK ONTARIO AND WESTERN RAILWAY.

Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	11 * Milk	1 On't Day Ex p	7 * Sul-liv'n Co. Exp	5 * Chic ago Lmt
N. Y. Leave	A M	A M	P M	P M
Franklin St	3 2	7 40	3 01	4 15
W. 42d St.,	3 3	7 55	3 15	4 30
Weehawken	4 07	8 10	3 40	4 40
Cornwall	5 10	9 45	5 00	6 01
W Cornwall	5 22	9 53	5 08	
Orr's Mills	5 25	9 55	5 10	
Little Brit'n	5 40	10 05	5 25	
Burnside	5 56	10 16	5 34	
Campbell H	7 07	10 22	5 40	6 30
Stony Ford	7 15	11 02	5 41	
M'town Main St.	7 38	10 43	5 58	
M'town ar	7 40	10 45	6 00	6 48
M'town lv	8 45	*11 55	*6 10	*6 56
Winterton	9 10	11 59	6 25	
Bloom'g'bgt	9 21	11 15	6 30	
Wurtsboro	9 26	11 19	6 34	
Summitville	9 38	11 30	6 45	
Ellenville ar	10 05	11 50	7 05	
Fallsburgh	10 32	12 05	7 20	
Hurleyville	10 52	12 12	7 27	
Liberty F'lls	11 15	01 22	7 38	
Liberty	11 30	12 29	7 44	8 07
Parksville	11 45	12 41	7 55	
L'v'gst'n M'r	12 00	12 57	8 08	8 30
Rockland	12 15	1 08	8 20	13
Hancock Jc	1 20	2 09	8 27	9 19
Walton	2 15	2 45	12 45	9 53
Sidny Cent'r		3 18	2 10	
Sidney		3 41	3 10	10 35
N'rwich ar		4 33	A M	
N'rwich lv		4 38	7 30	P M
Oneid' Cas't		6 06	9 10	
Oneida ar		6 10	9 15	
Oneida lv		6 15		
Fulton		7 57		
Oswego ar		8 20		
	P M	M A	M	

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New Y'rk Exp	12 *	14 Tel-hi 2x	50 Local	2 Day Exp
	P M	P M	P M	A M	
Oswego lv	12 35			6 45	
Oneida ar				8 45	
Oneida lv	2 11		12 20	8 50	
Oneid' Cas't		P M	12 25	8 53	
Norwich ar	3 24	7 36	1 37	10 37	
Norwich lv	3 29	7 41	P M	10 42	
Sidney	4 20	8 45		11 40	
Sidny Cent'r		9 03		11 57	
Walton	5 03	12 15	2 38		1 23
Hancock Jct	5 38	1 30	3		1 23
Rockland		2 38	6 00		2 10
L'v'gst'n M'r	6 27	3 00	6 14		2 25
Parksville		3 16	6 25		2 37
Liberty	6 48	3 35	6 36		2 51
Liberty F'lls		3 41	6 41		2 56
Hurleyville		4 04	6 50		3 06
Fallsburgh	n7 36	4 19	6 57		3 14
Centreville		4 40	7 04		3 20
Mount'n D.		4 50	7 10		3 25
Summitville		5 15	7 26		3 45
Wurtsboro		5 25	7 33		3 52
Bloom'g'bgh		5 2	7 38		3 57
Winterton		5 40	7 43		n4 02
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M'town lv	8 10	6 25	8 10		4 30
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Stony Ford		7 02	8 25		4 46
Campbell H.		7 7	8 31		4 52
Burnside		7 25	8 50		5 07
Little Brit'n		7 5	8 53		5 08
Orr's Mills		8 15	8 53		5 19
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* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

† Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

◂ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Hancock Junction 2 05 p. m., for Scranton, Carbondal and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., for Hancock Junction.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 30, a. m., 3 50 and 6.45 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00, and 10 50 a. m., 3 0 and 5 0 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 7 20 and 11 00 a. m., *4 0 p. m.

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 7 00 a. m., *2 45 and 9 50 p. m. Sunday only 9 15 a. m.

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In effect Sept 27st, 1896.

NORTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	Daily p m
New York	8 30	.....	4 16
Jersey City	8 46	.....	4 25
Hackensack	9 14	.....	4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26	.....	5 02
Paterson	9 29	...	5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 16	6 42
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 28	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 04	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 48	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 38	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 34
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45

SOUTH.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 20	7 12	4 45
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 09
Unionville	6 59	7 55	5 16
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 25
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 33
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	5 42
Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53	
Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
Two Bridges	7 51	9 32	6 10
Paterson	8 03	.. ..	7 30
Paterson (Broadway)	9 05	10 36	7 33
Hackensack	9 16	10 47	7 46
Jersey City	9 38	11 12	8 13
New York	9 53	11 23	8 23

† Stop on signal.

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The hearth lit up by our famous Wilkesbarre Coal casts its effulgence beyond the confines of the room, and the weary wayfarer finds hope and cheer in the far-reaching ray. Comfort yourself your family and the belated pedestrain by using our celebrated COAL.

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Solid trains between New York and Chicago, via Chautauqua Lake or Niagara Falls. Pullman cars between New York and Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Chautauqua Lake, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago.

TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 1, 1896.

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CHASED INTO A SWAMP.

One of the Periodical Thefts of the Crawford Branch Hand Car Baffled.

From a Bullville Correspondent.

As Timothy Tierney was returning from a neighbor's, about 10:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, he saw a light at the railroad tool house and heard men break in the door. He ran at his best speed to Section Foreman Henry's house and woke him. He hurried on some clothes and, taking his revolver, started with Mr. Tierney for the tool house. They met four men coming down the track on the hand car and tried to stop the car by throwing a board on the rails, but the car jumped the obstruction. Mr. Henry then fired two shots at the men on the car, which frightened them so that they jumped from the car and ran across a field. They were pursued by Henry and Tierney till they came to a swamp where the water was about a foot deep, and ran through it and disappeared in a piece of woods on the other side. Their pursuers gave up the chase when they reached the swamp.

RECEPTION TO ST PAUL'S CHOIR

A Very Pleasant Affair at Mrs. Iseman's Hospitable Home.

Mrs. J. E. Iseman, organist of St Paul's M. E. Church, last evening, entertained the members of the choir and other friends to the number of about fifty, at her home on Highland avenue.

The choir sang several selections as did also David Eilenberger and Miss Kittie Coddington; W. S. Skinner sang a solo and Mrs. Iseman and her daughter, Miss Christine, played several piano duets and solos.

There was a spelling match which created considerable amusement and a burlesque opera in which Mr. Hampson was the star singer. There were other social amusements, a fine supper and all present had a good time.

CARRYING COALS TO NEWCASTLE

Piles of Railroad Ties Awaiting Purchasers at Pine Bush—The Erie Adds Five Carloads of Virginia Ties to the Seven on Hand.

The Erie's Crawford branch train, Wednesday, hauled five carloads of Virginia pine railroad ties from this city to Pine Bush. They will be used along the branch as they are needed.

At the same time there are immense piles of ties stored in Pine Bush which were cut on the Shawangunk mountains, and sold by farmers to Pine Bush merchants who exchange merchandise of various kinds for them.

The merchants of course purchased the ties with the expectation of selling them to the Erie company as they have done for years past.

AN ILLUSTRATED LECTURE.

Robarts Harper's "Around the World in a Man o' War."

Mr. Harper is a veteran traveler, a man of broad culture and an ideal speaker, whose lectures are characterized by smoothness of narrative, vivid description, and by unflagging attention on the part of his audience.—*The Argus, Albany, N. Y., Jan. 14, 1895.*

Mr. Harper appears at the Casino, this evening, in the Y. M. C. A. course. He is to speak from experiences had in a three years' cruise on an English man-of-war. His lecture is superbly illustrated and cannot fail to interest all who attend. Admission 35 cents. 1t

His Foot Caught in a Frog.

H. P. Mundy, an employe in the O. and W. yard, had his foot caught in a frog, this morning, while engaged in his duties, and a train backed upon him before he could extricate it, the brake beam striking the side of his foot and ankle and lacerating the flesh badly, but fortunately breaking no bones.

BLOOMINGSBURGH.

Husband and Wife Sick—Pleasant and Successful Lectures by Horace Arney—Other Notes.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—T. Andross is confined to his bed by illness. His wife, who was reported better, is again quite ill.

—Miss Gussie Decker, who has returned home after being absent on a visit of several weeks.

—The oyster supper given by the Missionary Society at Jess and Comfort's, Tuesday evening, was a success. About $15 was realized. The entertainment was good and all enjoyed themselves.

—James Green has arrived with a drove of fine cows.

—Robins have been seen by several around here.

—Edgar Gray, the jeweler, of Otisville, was at J. K. Evans' store, Tuesday and Wednesday, to do watch repair work.

—Horace Arney will lecture in the Reformed Church, March 3, 4, 5. No doubt many remember Mr. Arney's visit with us last October and would like to hear him again.

The Modern Way

Commends itself to the well informed, to do pleasantly and effectually what was formerly done in the crudest manner and disagreeably as well. To cleanse the system and break up colds, headaches, and fevers without unpleasant after effects, use the delightful liquid laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs. Manufactured by California Fig Syrup Company.

Women who object to consult for painful irregularities, cramps and headaches peculiar to the sex, relieved at once without danger by Apioline-Chapoteaut. Sold $1. P. O. Box 2,081, New York. d31,toMay4

Headache bad? Get Miles' Pain Pills.

THE NORTH STREET CHURCH FAIR

Closed Last Night—A Successful Enterprise in Every Respect—Net Proceeds About $400.

The fair of the North Street Congregational Church closed, last night. It was even more successful than its projectors anticipated. The reports are not yet all in, but it is known that the net proceeds will be about $400, and several articles donated by merchants, which were not sold, will be kept for use at the church, among them a gas stove and several tons of coal.

The fair closed, last night, with an auction of unsold goods. Good prices were realized.

The entertainment was a pleasing one. Mr. Wickham was unable to appear owing to illness, much to the disappointment of many persons present.

NEW TELEPHONE MANAGER.

Emmett Lain to Succeed A. J. Smith, Who is Transferred to Plattsburgh.

A. J. Smith, who has been the manager of the Hudson River Telephone Co. for the district comprising the western portion of Orange county, with headquarters in this city, has been notified that he is to be transferred to the Plattsburgh district, the change to take effect on March 1st. This is a promotion for Mr. Smith, but his many friends here will regret to learn that it means his removal from the city.

Mr. Smith's successor here will be Emmett Lain, son of Thomas Lain, who has been in the employment of the company for some time and by industry and fidelity has earned the promotion that has come to him.

BULLVILLE.

A Temperance Meeting.

Correspondence Argus and Mercury.

—The Prohibitionists of the town of Crawford will hold the last meeting of week in the M. E. Church at Bullville, this (Friday) evening, Feb. 26. Rev. Mr. Houston, of Pine Bush, will address the meeting. All are cordially invited.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale druggists, Toledo, O., WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed, when the languid exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, Indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c. and $1.00 per bottle at McMonagle & Rogers' Drug Store.

A Famous German Doctor's Work.

Consumption is now known to be curable if taken in time—the German remedy known as Otto's Cure, having been found to be an almost certain cure for the disease. Asthma, Bronchitis, Croup, Coughs, Colds, Pneumonia and all throat and lung diseases are quickly cured by Dr. Otto's Great German Remedy. Sample bottles of Otto's Cure are being given away by our agent, J. J. Chambers, 57 North street. Large sizes 25 and 50 cents.

A Wonderful Medicine

BEECHAM'S PILLS

For Bilious and Nervous disorders, such as Wind and Pain in the Stomach, Sick Headache, Giddiness, Fullness and Swelling after meals, Dizziness and Drowsiness, Cold Chills, Flushings of Heat, Loss of Appetite, Shortness of Breath, Costiveness, Blotches on the Skin, Disturbed Sleep, Frightful Dreams, and all Nervous and Trembling Sensations, &c., when these symptoms are caused by constipation, as most of them are. THE FIRST DOSE WILL GIVE RELIEF IN TWENTY MINUTES. This is no fiction. Every sufferer is earnestly invited to try one Box of these Pills and **they will be acknowledged to be**

A WONDERFUL MEDICINE.

BEECHAM'S PILLS, taken as directed, will quickly restore Females to complete health. They promptly remove obstructions or irregularities of the system. For a

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they act like magic—a few doses will work wonders upon the Vital Organs; strengthening the muscular system, restoring the long-lost complexion, bringing back the keen edge of appetite, and arousing with the **Roseбud of Health the whole physical energy of** the human frame. These are facts admitted by thousands, in all classes of society, and one of the best guarantees to the Nervous and Debilitated is that **Beecham's Pills have the Largest Sale of any Patent Medicine in the World.**

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Prof. Eduard Brueckner has recently described in Petermann's Mitteilungen the very interesting results of a comparative study of a remarkable map of the seventeenth century and one of the Swiss survey maps of to-day. In 1667 Mr. J. C. Gyger completed his map of a part of the Alpine region extending from the Rhine on the north to the Reuss on the south, and including the whole of the canton of Zurich, in Switzerland. The map was on an unusually large scale for that time. The scale was 1:32,000, or one inch on the map for about a half mile in nature. He worked compass in hand, paced his distances, and was very careful and laborious in his survey. He gave a great deal of time for 37 years to his map. He was the first to use lights and shadows to indicate and contrast mountain slopes. Two copies of his map, both signed by him, are extant, and they still excite the admiration of cartographers for the wonderful accuracy with which they depict topography. Until this century the Gyger map was regarded as the best cartographic delineation of the Zurich canton. Small parts of it have been published with corresponding sections of the present surveys, to show the high standard of accuracy Mr. Gyger attained.

Mr. H. Walser has carried out, in the geographical institute of the University of Berne, the comparison between the Gyger map and that of the present day. Mr. Gyger carefully showed every lake, large and small, in the canton, and sharply distinguished the lakes from swamps. His map showed 149 lakes in the canton. Of these no less than 73 are not found on the present maps. These lakes, as Mr. Walser points out, one by one, have become extinct. They were all small, most of them having an area of less than 25 acres. The area of 16 other lakes is now much reduced, and 20 others are somewhat smaller than in the seventeenth century. Forty lakes have undergone no important change.

Mr. Walser has ascertained by observation the causes of the shrinkage or disappearance of 54 of these lakes. The farmers, in their efforts to secure more meadow land, have played an important role. They have drained quite a number of the lakes and turned their beds into hay farms or pasture lands. Of course, in geological time, all lakes are drained by the natural cutting down of their outlets, but, on account of the unimportant slope of the outlet channels of these particular lakes, the deepening of the channels was very slow, and this form of lake effacement seems to have cut no figure.

The effects of two other natural causes, however, are very evident. One was the silting up of the lakes by the deposit of sediment, and the other, and more important, the gradual encroachment of plant life in the lakes, which finally completely filled them, the decay of vegetation forming soil, and thus the lakes were gradually extinguished. Some of the lakes are still undergoing this process, the carpet of plants extending all around the shores, while a little water surface is still visible in the center. The deposition of sediment and the growth of plants which finally obliterated these little lakes were, of course, supplemented, as Mr. Walser says, by the human activities that, in the past century, largely cut off the water supply that made and fed them. —N. Y. Sun.

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C. B. & Q.	73½	75
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D. and H.	107¼	107⅝
O. & W.	14½	14⅝
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N. W.	104¼	105
L. S.	157½	160
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M. P.	20¾	21
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U. P.	7	7¼
W. Union	83	83½
L. & N.	49	50
Manhattan	87½	89
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